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Lea main draw in year's splashiest, if dated, show

By Gibbs Cadiz
Lifestyle

THE CHERRY on top, of course, is Lea Salonga as Grizabella, this production's biggest draw and the reason even the theater-indifferent are now scrambling for tickets to "Cats," the splashiest show of the year.

LEA MAIN A17

PHILIPPINE *Sunday* INQUIRER
BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

Lacierda strikes 2, says still learning the ropes

By TJ Burgonio

FINDING himself in hot water again for breaking a major policy announcement on the privately run ABS-CBN television network,

LACIERDA A17



A CONSEQUENCE OF HISTORY. The late President Corazon Aquino every inch (literally) behind her only son, President Aquino, as he speaks during yesterday's unveiling of the massive photo mosaic commemorating the first anniversary of her death. Her death all but sealed his own destiny. The nation wanted to make her son President. ...

Singson in 'midnight deal'

Public works chief rushed Pagcor-Maynilad contract

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

PUBLIC WORKS Secretary Rogelio Singson, as then president of Maynilad Water Services Inc., teamed up with then Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corp. (Pagcor) chair Efraim Genuino to push a water concession deal that would have supposedly deprived the government of at least P3.6 billion in water fees.

The deal between Pagcor and Maynilad involving the 3,077-square-meter Bagong Nayong Pilipino Entertainment City in Parañaque City was among the midnight deals that Genuino was said to have been pushing before he left Pagcor in June. But the board of the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) refused to uphold the deal, and the current Pagcor management has put it on hold pending further investigation.

Days before President Aquino was sworn into office on June 30, Genuino was purportedly calling MWSS board members to seek their approval for the deal that had been on the drawing board since the first quarter of 2009.

An MWSS board member, who declined to be identified because of the sensitive nature of the matter, said Singson wanted the contract in place before Genuino stepped down because the new Pagcor management might not play ball with Maynilad.

SINGSON A17



ACTIVISM IN YELLOW. A member of the militant group Akbayan sits next to a caricature of the late President Cory on the eve of the first anniversary of her death to celebrate the meaning of her life. The militants also distributed flowers to motorists and pedestrians at the People Power Monument in Quezon City.

A celebration of hope, renewal

Paris swooned over 'la dame en jaune' in '89

By Jose Carmelo Banaag
(As told to Ross Harper Alonso)

(Editor's Note: In July 1989, the late President Corazon Aquino was France's guest of honor at the bicentennial celebrations of the 1789 French Revolution. During the four-day duration of Aquino's state visit, José Carmelo Banaag served as her interpreter. Banaag, who is fluent in six languages, including three of the official United Nations languages—English, French and Spanish—was then working in the translation division of the Paris-based United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco). He still lives in Paris and is a freelance cultural editor and journalist. In this article, Banaag shares his memories of that historic visit.)

I WAS HAVING a late Saturday breakfast when I heard about Cory's death on French radio. It was very sad news, to say the least. This was immediately picked up by TV news bulletins, with more extensive coverage on the prime-time mid-day and evening news of the two major channels, TF1 and FR2. It was then that I started reminiscing about my privileged four days working for what the prestigious newspaper Le Monde dubbed "the heroine of the 1986 revolution."

Months before the visit,

PARIS A16

By TJ Burgonio

PRESIDENT AQUINO will lead the country in paying respects to the woman celebrated the world over for leading a people power revolt that toppled a dictatorship, and whose death from cancer at 76 sealed his own destiny.

Mr. Aquino, with his four sisters, other family members, friends, and other government officials, will attend a 10 a.m. Mass for the late former President Corazon Aquino, who died a year ago today, concelebrated by Bishop Socrates "Soc" Villegas and several other priests at the campus gymnasium of La Salle Green Hills in San Juan City where her remains briefly lay in state.

The Mass will be preceded by a program that includes the relaunch of Cory Aquino's People Power People Movement through an audiovisual presentation and short messages about her legacy, the recitation of the People Power Prayer, and the unveiling of a marker at the Manila Quick Count Board where final tally showed her defeating the dictator Ferdinand Marcos in the 1986 "snap" presidential election.

Mr. Aquino is expected to deliver a message after the Mass.

The tribute to the late former President and widow of the assassinated former Sen. Benigno Aquino Jr. runs along the theme "Her Legacy, Our Promise." It was prepared by the Ninoy and Cory Aquino Foundation (NCAF).

Cory Aquino drew multitudes to her wake and funeral.

At La Salle Green Hills, and later at the Manila Cathedral, tens of thousands of mourners and sympathizers stood in long queues, braving intermittent rains all day and well into the night, for a last glimpse.

The great number of people who joined her funeral procession to Manila Memorial Park in Parañaque City on Aug. 5 paled in comparison only to the estimated one million mourners who accompanied the remains of her assassinated

A CELEBRATION A16

Snapshots of icon capture Cory in magical mosaic

By Tina G. Santos

A GIGANTIC photo mosaic featuring a larger-than-life image of the late President Corazon Aquino was unfurled at the Luneta grounds yesterday, one of the many tributes commemorating the first anniversary of her death a year ago today.

Her son, President Aquino led family, friends and supporters in the unveiling of the mosaic—mounted on a tarpaulin weighing four tons and measuring 60 by 78.2 meters—containing 3,200 color and black-and-white photographs of his mother. Most of the photos were taken during her presidency by amateur and professional photographers.

Mr. Aquino said the mosaic symbolized the hope that sprang among Filipinos, beyond the expressions of sympathy for the loss of his mother.

"When she passed away a year ago, I must admit that at first I was a bit concerned that public support for the principles that she stood for had waned over the years. However, I was more than reassured at the record number

SNAPSHOTS A16

Second FrontPage

PAL pilots quit; flights canceled

THE WEATHER was fine but Philippine Airlines had to cancel several domestic and international flights yesterday morning because they had no pilots.

Opposition to question legality of truth body

Was Rep. Singson on trip to 'test sell' cocaine in HK?

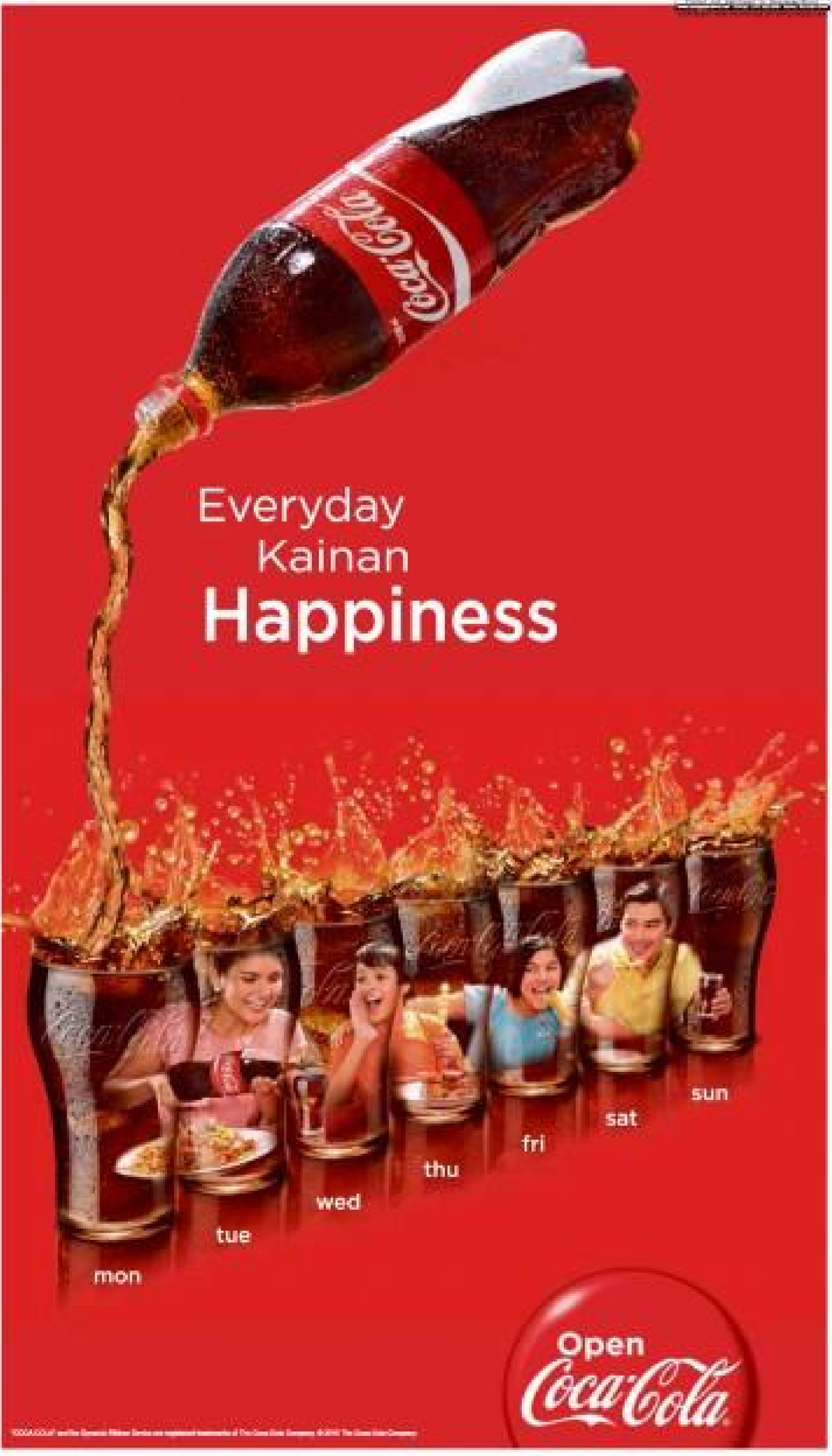
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Gov't to deal with low-level rebels, too

STL, 'jueteng' a deadly pair, says prelate

The Daily Gospel





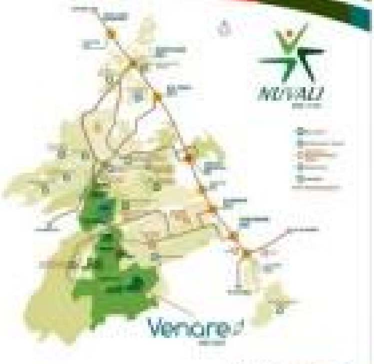
Officer seen as next PNP chief gets plum post

Marlon Ramos









Across the NATION

Sister of Pacquiao remains in hiding

Judge slams CamSur power cooperative, excess rates

NAGA CITY—Top officials of Camarines Sur II Electric Cooperative [illegible]

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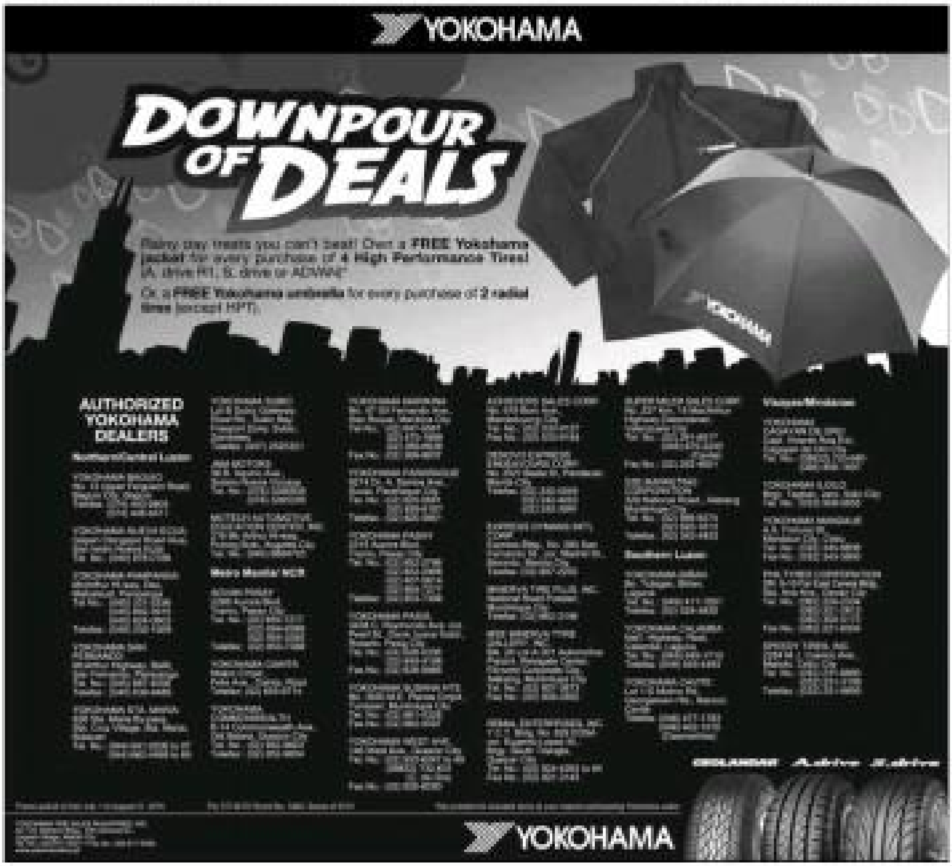


POWER RATES in Camarines Sur [illegible]

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KORONADAL CITY—The elder sister of boxer-turned-politician Manny Pacquiao [illegible]

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INQUIRER *Mindanao*



FOUR-YEAR-OLD April Salvacion on a raft with mother Elizabeth pushing it across the river while Eduardo Jr. swims nearby.

Swimming river only way for kids to go to school

By Leah Gogrey
Lebak, Sultan Kudarat

FOUR-YEAR-OLD April wriggles as he wades into the brownish river as his mother, Elizabeth Salvacion, coaxes him to ride on a raft made of banana trunks. On the raft next to April is a plastic basin full of vegetables and a tattered backpack that holds his clothes and his brother's school uniform and their notebooks.

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Early dip

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War evacuees

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'Adopted' kids

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How the Supreme Court can help P-Noy



With Due Respect

Artemio V. Panganiban

Bad mothers



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Rina Jimenez-David

Hezbollah in a corner

World View

Paul Salem

Project Syndicate

Stake in P-Noy's anti-graft drive

Commentary

Herbert Docena

They Said

Pauper's Benz

TALK of the TOWN



PRESIDENT AQUINO holds his first Cabinet meeting in Malacañang shortly after his June 30 inauguration.

EXECUTIVE SEARCH FOR P-NOY

Promoting leadership of excellence

By Rick B. Ramos



MARIO RODRIGUEZ (right), a member of then President-elect Aquino's staff, entertains ordinary people who gather in front of Mr. Aquino's house on Times Street, Quezon City, to ask for jobs and for medical and financial support.

After proclamation

Political criteria

Mismatch

Swamped

List job openings

Databank

Professional search

Merit system

Legacy of P-Noy

Realistic compensation

Sangguniang Kabataan's Congress 2010











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Paris swooned over 'la dame en jaune' in 1989



Instant hit

Grand welcome

Symbol of modern revolution

RP in French map

GLOBAL Pinoy

Editor: Monica Feria

This section is dedicated to Filipinos overseas toiling on land and at sea, in factories, in construction sites and in the homes of the world to secure a better life for their families. These are their stories.



The harsh truth about living under a bridge in Saudi Arabia, according to labor officials

FEELING AT HOME Overseas Filipino workers living "like squatters" beside the Philippine Consulate General in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Don't believe rumors

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By Micael R Ramos

Director, Labor Communications Office, Department of Labor and Employment

MEDIA has a field day every time news or images of overseas Filipino workers living in seemingly harsh conditions under a bridge in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia see print or filter through television screens. Inevitably, the message is that our Filipino "workers" are getting the raw end of their quest for better opportunities abroad.

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Converging point

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'Deport me'

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What has the gov't done?

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Registration, repatriation

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Young Fil-Canadians want to go home too

By [illegible]

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Community support

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Rediscovering home

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Snapshots of icon capture . . .



Symbol of hope

Goosebumps

Main photo by Tess Rivera

Size of 18 basketball courts

Interesting photos

Display period

A celebration of hope, renewal

Honesty, simplicity

'Padre de familia'

Consequence of history



Singson in 'midnight deal,' Pagcor-Maynilad

Singson's comment

Claim disputed

Bidding required

Approval deferred

Lightning rod

Lacierda strikes 2, says still learning the ropes



LACIERDA: Be patient with me.

Open to criticism

What about Sona leak?

Second faux pas

Lea main draw in year's splashiest show



Worth a look

Breathtaking staging

Sugar overload

Incandescent clarity

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FROM FANTASY TO REALITY

Teen med student a novelist at 12

By Margaux C. Ortiz

WHILE other sixth graders kept themselves busy with homework, projects and other grade school activities, Mary Anne Gelina "Angeli" E. Dumarol kept writing and accomplished a feat every young writer dreams of achieving in adult life: Coming out with her own novel.

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Journey of hope

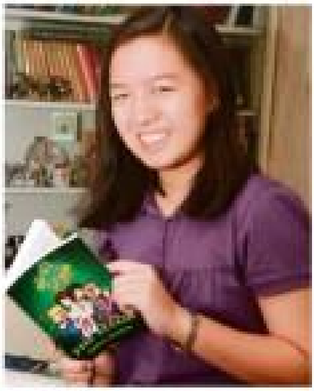
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Two more

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Not easy

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SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Angeli Dumarol, with a copy of her first book, juggles a full-time load at medical school and writing.



From fantasy to reality: Teen med student a novelist at 12

STOLEN SPARE PARTS RACKET

Hunt on for 7 suspects in QC truck theft cases

By Julie M. Aurelio

MetroBriefs

NBI abolishes 6 divisions; new units created

Police nab 6 suspected drug pushers

A building permit in only 3 days—in Manila

By Tina G. Santos

QC, St. Luke's sign pact on free services for poor

By Julie M. Aurelio

The WORLD

White House urges halt to spilling of war secrets

WASHINGTON—The White House on Friday implored the website WikiLeaks to stop posting secret Afghanistan war documents and the Pentagon pressed its investigation of the leaks, bringing a soldier charged with handing over classified video back to the US for trial.

WORLDBRIEFS

French mom 'relieved' she owned baby killings

Thousands fighting hundreds of Russia fires

Engineers prepare to permanently seal oil well

Sarkozy threatens immigrants who target police

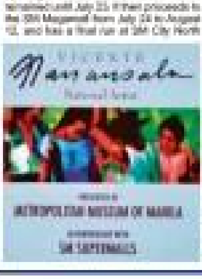
Israel air strike kills senior Hamas rocket maker

Opposition mounts vs mosque near ground zero

MANANSALA EXHIBIT GOES TO THE SM MALLS

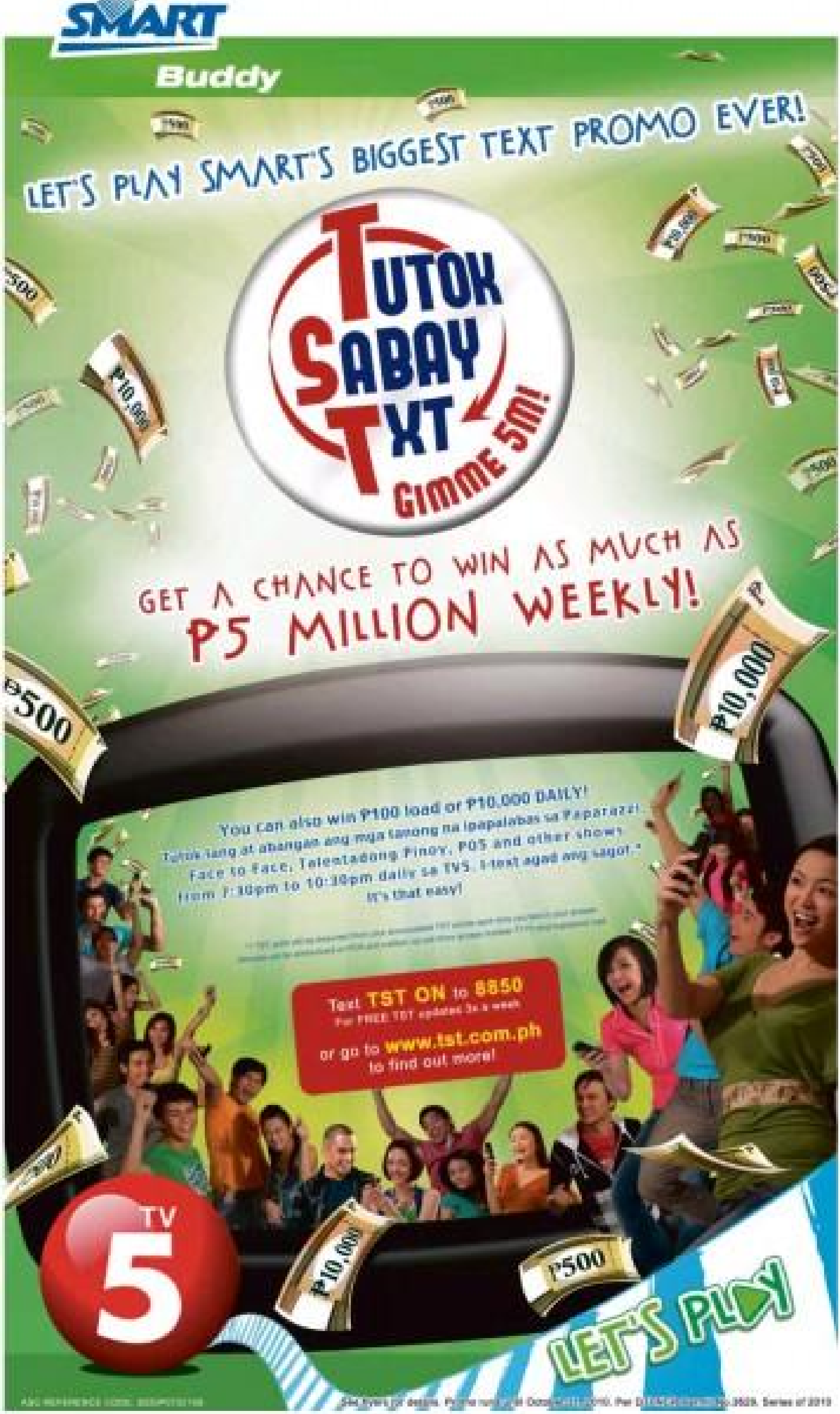




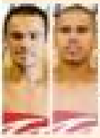








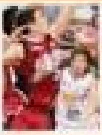
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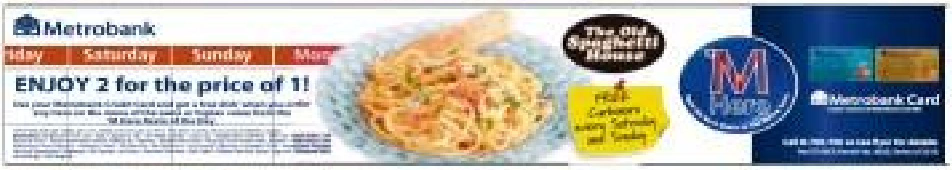
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Long shot Mazon gains World Series of Pool 10-ball semifinal slot A28



THE Eagles bounce back against the Bulldogs, thanks to Eric Salamat.

Eagles crush B'dogs



Adamson, Lyceum seek key V-League victories

Ailing Abet

IN HUDDLE





Manila bags first crown

Sharks subdue Cebuanos in Baseball RP Series



Piccio crashes finals vs Ardina conqueror

Erda Tech gets new basketball court from Mighty Sports head

US SENIOR

Langer fires 68, leads by 2 shots



PBA run fulfills late chair's dream

By Romeo S. Acosta

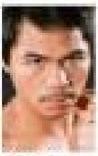
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Chasing the Pacman

Marquez battles Diaz, still pines for Pacquiao



PACQUIAO

LAS VEGAS—Juan Manuel Marquez is eager to get back in the ring against Juan Diaz, [illegible]

AP

Lions' Daniel named NCAA week's best

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Delos Santos bags Milo finals slot



DELOS SANTOS

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Romeo S. Acosta

Pagunsan four strokes off Brunei leaders

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN—Juvic Pagunsan [illegible]

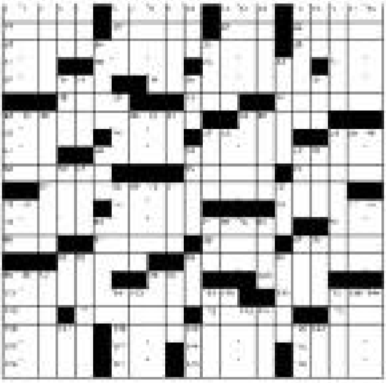
Malaysian leads Asian karting

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SUNDAY CROSSWORD

PREMIER CROSSWORD / By Frank A. Longo — CONCEALED CANON PARTS

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Texters, Beermen shoot for finals berths today

Long shot Mazon gains pool semis

Eagles . . .

Business Features Editor Margie Quimpo-Espino

Sunday Biz

PNB'S EUGENE ACEVEDO

A physicist for a CEO



DURING his AFP days



TURNING Japanese

His vision of restoring PNB to its former glory isn't seen by his peers and rivals as a mission impossible, especially for someone who has had a track record of outperforming his own goals

By Doris C. Dumlao

THERE WAS once a simple bright boy from Surigao del Sur who aspired to become an officer at the big pulp and paper factory in his hometown. But there was a much bigger world waiting for him when he grew up especially as he turned out to be a mathematics whiz.

For the last 23 years, he rose from the ranks of Citibank to run its dealing room in the Philippines and eventually took over regional treasury operations in Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau.

Now Eugene Acevedo is back in the country and is one of the most closely watched chief executive officers in the banking arena as soon as he joined Philippine National Bank, which has also become more exciting to monitor in the stock market recently.

But the fact that Acevedo had given up a thriving treasury career at a global financial giant to be the new captain of the ship may be the strongest argument why PNB will more likely be a predator than a prey in the local mergers and acquisitions arena in the years ahead.

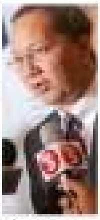
Restoring PNB

His vision of restoring PNB to its former glory isn't seen by his peers and rivals as a mission impossible, especially for someone who has had a track record of outperforming his own goals.

Restoring a local commercial bank to something that Acevedo had wanted to do for a long time and when the opportunity presented itself—and especially because it's PNB, he points out—it was something that he couldn't refuse.

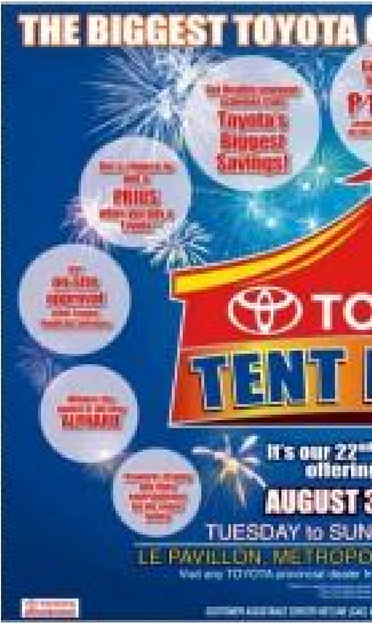
"Imagine the weight of the tradition, the legacy," Acevedo tells Sunday Biz in an interview in his ...

» ACEVEDO B2



ACEVEDO: "My wife tells me I get more benefit from being a Physics major not from what I learned in school, but the kind of impression that I make on people when they find out about my background."

A physicist for a CEO



Five ways to equip your people during a downturn





Sunday Biz

Muslims share secrets of their trade

By [illegible]

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Not unlike the Chinese

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Lots of luck

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In Pangasinan, small town develops welders' market

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Dagupan bookstore survives despite odds

By [illegible]

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Vegetable patches in school turn into vital teaching aids for kids

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Sunday LIFESTYLE Relationships

Editor: Thelma Sioson San Juan



The Filipino White House doctor

In an engrossing memoir, the first and only Filipino admiral in the US Navy recounts her demanding stint with the Clintons, that cost her her marriage

IN THE FALL of 1993, feeling that she'd reached a dead end in her distinguished naval career, US Navy Commander Connie Mariano was thinking of leaving the service and going into private medical practice. Then from out of nowhere, her superior asked her if she'd like to be in a shortlist to be the American president's doctor.

Long hours



CONNIE Mariano



The Filipino White House doctor

Fate

Admiral's star

Filipina blood

> With ironic humor, she points out that during Clinton's televised 'I-did-not-have-sex-with-that-woman-Lewinsky' performance, he wore a tie she, Mariano, gave him for Christmas



Politics

Monica Lewinsky

Stay-at-home dad

La Huerta marks 385th anniversary of Our Lady of Buen Suceso enthronement

PURELY PERSONAL
Josephine Darang



'Traslacion'

Miracle in the freeway

College of the Holy Spirit

Emmanuelle prayer room

24-year-old woman feels pressured to fall in love

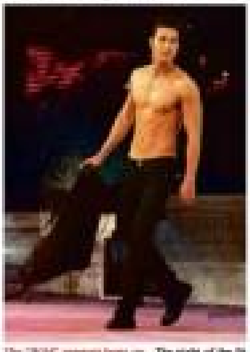
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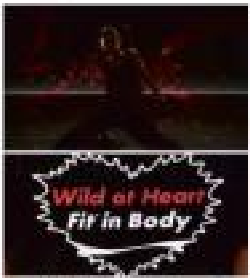


Emily A. Marcelo

Birthday gift for my mother

Bench Uncut gets Wild with COKE ZERO





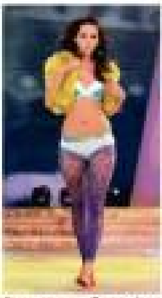


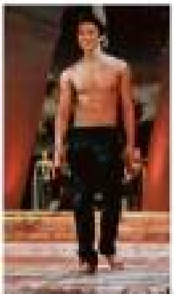


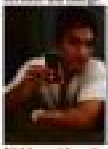


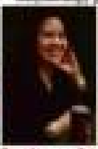


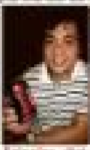






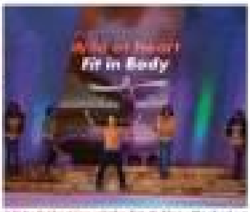












Birthday gift for my mother

Roots and Wings

Cathy Babao-Guballa





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CRICKETTE and Dennis Tantoco with their kids

Crickette Tantoco's perfect fit of a life

T'nT Trends & Trendings



Anton San Diego

CRICKETTE Tantoco has got it all together. She is able to balance being a wife, a mother of three (twin daughters, 21, and a boy, 16), and a businesswoman (Payless Shoesource).

Recently, I caught up with the pretty, smart and witty Crickette at the Payless Shoesource press launch. She was beaming with pride at her newest endeavor. "Filipinos love shoes and are very style- and value-conscious, so the Payless mission of democratizing fashion by making the latest products and trends affordable and accessible to all fits—if you'll pardon the pun—a perfect fit."

Another perfect fit is her marriage of 22 years to Dennis Tantoco, who, along with her kids, she considers the greatest love of her life. At a recent dinner, I could not help but notice how sweet and caring they were with each other. All I could think about is how perfectly their relationship has evolved. Her generous tips for a successful marriage: "Allowing each other to grow and encouraging one another to be a better person."

This is her world.

What is your idea of happiness?

Happiness is living a life of gratitude. It's being at peace with yourself by being at peace with others.

What was your childhood ambition?

I had wanted to be a lawyer.

What is your favorite childhood memory?

Weekends on the beach and Sunday lunch with our extended family.

What are your favorite haunts in Manila?

My favorite dining destinations in Manila are: Impliko, Masseo, Azzurdo's, Cibo, Kai, Carpaccio and Milky Way.

Favorite vacation spot?

New York, Boracay, Singapore and Bali.

Favorite comfort food?

Anything with "aligue."

What book have you read more than once?

"LRR Tolkien Trilogy" plus "The Hobbit," "Dune Chronicles" by Frank Herbert, "Gone with the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell, "Pillars of the Earth" by Ken Follet, "The Shack" by WM. Paul Young, "The Mists of Avalon" by Marion Zimmer Bradley, and last but not the least, the Bible stories.

I-phone, mobile phone or Blackberry?

Mobile phone.

Besides your cellphone, what modern gadget can't you live without?

My iMac.

What music are you currently listening to?

"Glee" songs, 1980s music, Elton songs, Neil, Forever Young.

What movie/or movie character resembles your life the closest?

Alice in Wonderland.

What movie in the past year would you recommend everyone to see?

Inception, Avatar, Hangover and Green Zone.

Define your personal style?

My personal style is always evolving. It is an expression of my general state of mind at any given point in time.

What's the hardest lesson you have had to learn?

Humility.

What's the most fulfilling part of your job?

It's being part of an exciting start-up that offers new possibilities in style, design and affordability. Payless fulfills a gap in the market for stylish shoes at prices most can afford. It democratizes quality for shoes and accessories for the whole family.

What is your greatest fear?

My greatest fear is to live a life of compromise and mediocrity.

What or who is the greatest love of your life?

The greatest love of my life would be Dennis and my kids.

What so far has been your most defining moment?

My defining moment happened last year when a circumstance severely tested my courage and most deep-seated beliefs on right and wrong, good versus evil. Thankfully, I was able to survive and rise above that circumstance.

Which particular store/brand opening or acquisition were you most proud of?

Shopwise. What began as a venture in new jobs has now become a P20 billion enterprise that provides 3,000 jobs.

What makes you happy?

Having alone time with my husband Dennis.

When was the last time you cried?

I cry in every sappy movie I watch and every heartbreaking book I read. So, it's pretty often.

What's something people don't know about you?

I have a very deep faith.

Best teaching your parents ever taught you?

The best person to take care of you is you.

Who are your personal-day heroes?

Aung San Suu Kyi, Madeleine Albright, Corazon Aquino

What's something in the past you wish could be returned?

Childhood, carefree summers when we would spend the whole day biking and playing.

What are your wishes for the new administration?

My wish for the new administration is that it lives up to the promise of honest and clean governance. That our new President will serve as an example to all Filipinos on how to live a life of integrity and honesty. I wish that the new administration will curb and eventually eradicate corruption and lift our nation to economic prosperity and moral ascendancy.

What's the greatest teaching you have learned so far from life?

"The best-laid plans of mice and men…" We cannot really control or make plans as everything happens in God's time and with His blessing.



CRICKETTE Tantoco: "My personal style is always evolving."

LUXURY LIVING AT ITS PEAK

The Stratford Residences at Picar Place



LIFE AT THE TOP

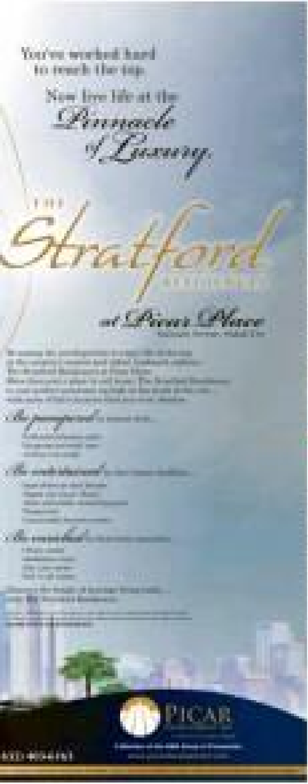


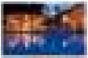









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3-day conference on the mission of Christ



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Triple weekend sale

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'Mrs. A's Opus'

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Front Runner holds running clinic

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I am my own Pinoy 'Bossing'



PLDT-SME Nation's 'Bossing Ako' campaign seeks to promote Filipino entrepreneurship

TESSA!
Tessa Prieto-Valdes

HOME is where the heart is. I have been travelling far and wide to exotic and exciting places and yet, the Philippines with all its complexities is still where I want to be. With new sense of Pinoy pride, we can be more hopeful that this nation will be a better home to live in.

Everyone seems to be doing his or her share to improve the country. Whether you are part of a large corporation or a single citizen, we all can make a positive difference.

In the spirit of nation building, PLDT SME Nation strives to support SMEs (small-to-medium enterprises) to create strong, vibrant and thriving entrepreneurs. The more SMEs thrive, the better it is for our economy and our society.

This is why PLDT-SME Nation has appointed 12 "Pinoy Bossings" as part of its "Bossing Ako" campaign, which seeks to promote Filipino entrepreneurial ingenuity.

PLDT chair Manny V. Pangilinan tags the selection of Pinoy Bossings as the ultimate bossing SME icons and ambassadors in their own right; the list also includes: Mother Lily Monteverde of Regal Films, [illegible] of [illegible]; [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible]; and Carlos [illegible] of Pampanga's Best, to name a few.

At the grand launch at the SMX Tent, [illegible] performed the theme song, "Para sa mga Bossing."

For more info on what PLDT-SME Nation can offer your business, you may call 101 888 or visit www.pldtsme-nation.com.ph.

Go Negosyo, Gawad Kalinga

Two other programs that have helped thousands of Filipinos have better lives and better homes are Go Negosyo and Gawad Kalinga. Named one of the Bossing Ako champions, Joey Concepcion is the founding president of Go Negosyo.

Through the project, young and old entrepreneurs have gained valuable assistance in order to become successful from [illegible].

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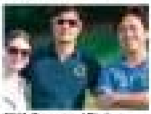


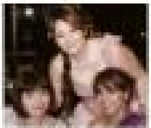




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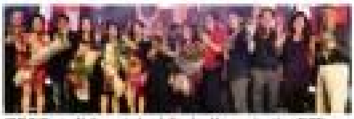














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Casino Español de Cebu celebrates Spanish Month with cultural activities

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SUBTLE STYLING





The coolest casuals at SM

Pop colors, pocket tees, V-necks, khakis and jeans—Baleno definitely has the coolest casuals. Since SM Department Store Men's Wear Department is all about accessible fashion, it offers items at affordable price points. Shirts start at P249.75 and pants at P499.75. Of premium quality, they're definitely hard to pass up.



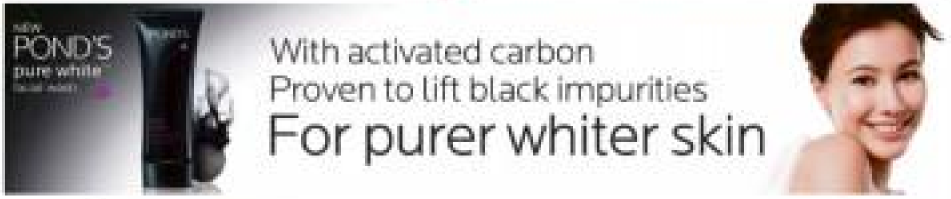


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SM CITY NORTH EDSA'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS BEGIN WITH AUDI RAFFLE PROMO LAUNCH



Unveiling of the Audi A3 as the grand prize for SM City North Edsa 25th year Anniversary Raffle Promo. Shown in the photo are Audi Philippines and Prudential Guarantee and Assurance Inc. execs (L-R) PGA Inc. Ortigas Branch Head Mr. Marvin Lim, PGA Inc. SVP Mr. Celestino Ang, Audi Philippines VP Sales Mr. Edwin Chua, Corporate Affairs Director Mr. Amado del Rosario and PGA Inc. VP Mr. Anthony Sy, on the left side were SM executives: (L-R) SM City North Edsa Mall Manager Ms. Rosen Bacani, SVP for Marketing Mr. Joaquin San Agustin, SM VP for Marketing Communications Ms. Millie Dizon, and SCMC AVP for Operations Mr. Bien Mateo.



SM City North EDSA's 25th Anniversary Celebrations had a dazzling start with the recent launch of the mall's anniversary raffle promotion at The Block.

Audi Philippines and Prudential Guarantee and Assurance, Inc. executives – PGA Inc. SVP Celestino Ang, VP Anthony Sy, and Ortigas Branch Head Marvin Lim, and Audi Philippines VP Sales Edwin Chua and Corporate Affairs Director Amado del Rosario – took part in the unveiling of the Audi A3 1.8 TFSI Sportback car that will be raffled during this exciting promotion. SM City North EDSA officers led by AVP for Operations Bien Mateo joined them.



Well-known columnist and host Mr. Johnny Litton.

Every P1,000 single receipt purchase by SM Advantage Cardholders at participating SM City North EDSA establishments entitles one to a raffle coupon and a chance to win a silver Audi A3 1.8 TFSI Sportback worth P2.3 M. Promo period is from July 29 to October 31, 2010, and the raffle draw will take place on November 8, 2010, at 7:00 PM at the SMX Convention Center at the SM Mall of Asia Complex.

The Audi A3 1.8 TFSI Sportback is a car that uniquely blends sportiness, dynamism, and premium quality. Its design is solid and full of character, emphasized further by the front sport seats and 3-spoke steering wheel.

Infused with the latest technology and performance features, the fuel efficient and powerful Audi A3 is a driver's car - pure and simple. The 7 speed S-tronic transmission is fitted with gear-shift paddles, which fully utilizes the 1.8 liter Turbo Fuel Stratified Injection petrol engine which in turn produces a 160 horsepower.

The 25th Anniversary Raffle Promotion is one of the many exciting events SM City North EDSA has lined up to thank its customers for making SM a vital part of their lives.

In *dazzling* style

One of the highlights of SM City North EDSA's 25th Anniversary Raffle Promotion launch was a fashion presentation featuring prominent businesswomen and social personalities.

Hosted by well-known columnist Mr. Johnny Litton, the event featured stylish women who have made their mark in the business world - designer Dita Sandico Ong, Hopalli Jewelry's Zenaida Co, Don Henrico's Heidi Ng, Healthbowl's Gel Salas, Let's Face It's Thess Mangano, as well as Tess Vergel de Dios, Mikko Quesada, and Maria Lopez-Montelibano.

It also featured fashionistas Ava Abejar and Kim Lobo, as well as professionals Dr. Rachelle del Rosario, real estate broker Baby Tomacruz.

Arby, Manet and Camille Agbayani, advertising executive Irma Molas, and PR managers Grace Bontigao.

The men were not to be outdone - TV host and businessman RJ Ledesma, Jollibee franchisees Mario and Mico Lambino, Harold Arevalo and Philippine Commercial Capital Inc CEO Federico Galang. Opera singer and artist Jack Salud serenaded the audience with a soulful rendition of I've Got a Crush on You.



Jack Salud, an opera singer and a resident artist of the Philippine Opera Company



RJ Ledesma – a TV host, restaurateur, designer and [illegible] Vice Consul. Also the Editor-in-Chief of [illegible] Magazine, and was the host of [illegible] Foundation's [illegible] and has starred in a number of independent films.



Maria Lopez Montelibano, one of the Hopewell's [illegible] Celebrity Endorsers [illegible]



Ava Abejar, [illegible]



Heidi Ng, a restaurateur, owner of Don Henrico's



Mikko Quesada, an interior design [illegible] and owner of [illegible]



Atty. Manet Agbayani



The SM City North Edsa Team (L-R) SCMC SVP for Marketing Mr. Joaquin San Agustin, SCMC AVP for Operations Mr. Bien Mateo, SM VP for Marketing Communications Ms. Millie Dizon, SCMC AVP for Marketing Ms. Ruby Ann Ramos and SM City North Edsa Mall Manager Ms. Rosen Bacani during the SM City North Edsa 25th year Anniversary kick-off.



Thess Mangano, president of Let's Face It and 2008 [illegible] Woman of the Philippines [illegible]



Dra. Rachelle Rosario, an Executive Director of Philippine Cancer Society and Project Director of [illegible]



Katherine [illegible], Marketing and communications Manager of [illegible] Cafe


GERARD Salonga, DJ Salonga, Isabelle Daza, Lea Salonga and Precy Florentino


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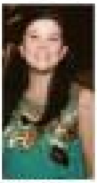
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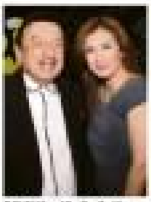

GEORGINA Wilson and Borgy Manotoc


SARYLLE and Lee Rabbo


CITI'S Aliza Greenberg, Marsha Elaine Agudo and Abby Limpe-Chua


CITIGOLD wealth management director Judith Go


SANDY Prieto-Romualdez


DOLPHY and Zsa Zsa Padilla


BAYE Tiaga with daughter Kerry


FORMER First Lady Imelda Marcos (2nd from left) with Dr. Tayer Pascual, Lulu Tison and Sonya Mickey


CITI'S Eric Sabo, Rio Manzon, Karis Abao and Citi retail banking director Vipin Agrawal

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In this off-the-beaten track in Scotland, one receives a blessing—'May you never let the bastards get you down!'



PILGRIM at day's end



IONA Abbey cloisters

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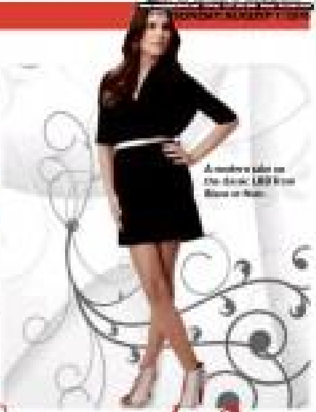
Soft, fluid Blanc et Noir dress with ruffled front.



Go graphic with a [illegible] black corset top worn with a white skirt, both from Blanc et Noir.



Softly drape a printed black and white loose top tucked in a white [illegible] skirt, both from Blanc et Noir.



A modern take on the classic LBD from Blanc et Noir.



Blanc et Noir optical floral print mini dress with scoop neckline worn with black leggings.

Blanc Et Noir at SM

The Blanc et Noir collection at SM is all about the attraction of opposites - yin and yang, positive and negative, darkness and light -a fashion combination of timeless elegance.

Black, after all, is associated with drama, mystery, and glamour, with the iconic little black dress or LBD as a "sort of uniform for all women of taste." White, on the other hand, is all about sweetness and light. And worn together, they create the one of the most exciting fashion stories.

Blanc et Noir conveys a modern, sophisticated attitude with a collection of LBD's in gossamer chiffon and amazing lace, fab and flirty skirts, and sexy and fluid tops. The look can go romantic with ruffles, sophisticated with pleats and draping, or graphic with black and white prints.

The Blanc et Noir collection is available at the Ladies Wear Department of all SM stores.

Fashion: Available at the SM Department Store

Photography: Niko Villegas

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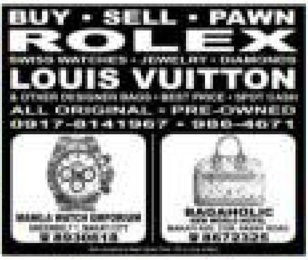
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Ruben V. Nepales



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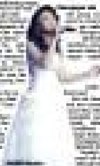






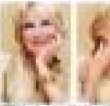


Cordilleras got talent!









Bette Midler loves Ceb



Two-timing matinee idol has unsavory past







... narrates 'Thriller'

'Inception' is for thinking, feeling and *dreaming* film buffs

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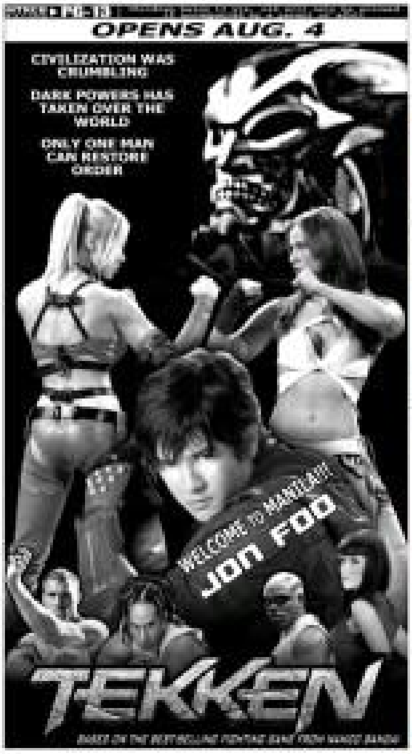


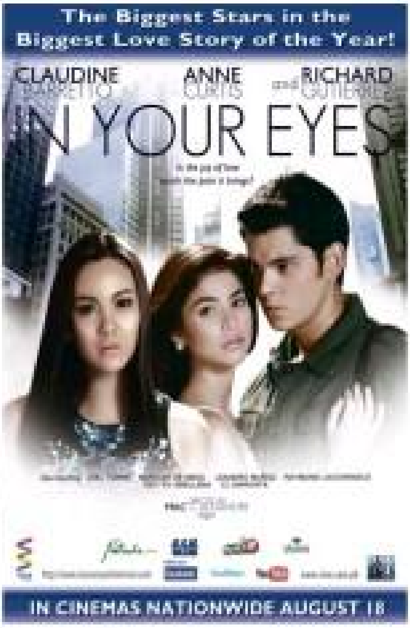
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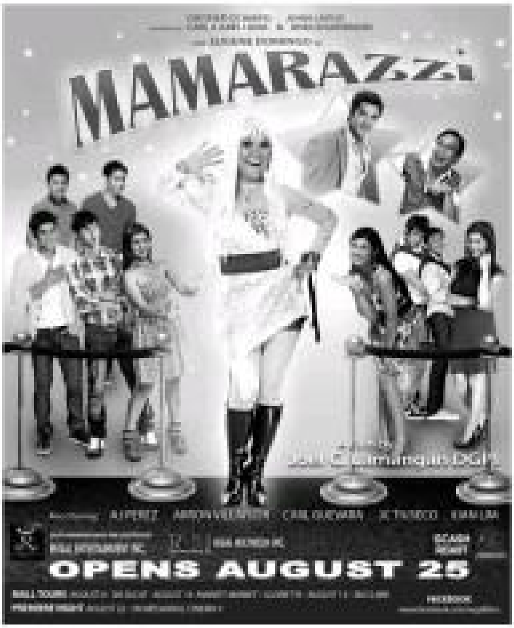
LEONARDO DiCaprio and Joseph Gordon-Levitt

A lot of work









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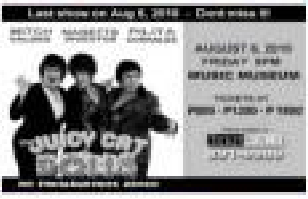


Tried and twisted

Behind the scenes on the set of the career-endangering, death-defying 'Twist and Shout'







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